

Newsletter – SPRING – 2021

Town Hall hours Monday - Thursday 8:30am - 5pm (currently open by appointment only) (425) 455 - 1834 | WEBSITE

<u>PARKING</u>: Residential parking is allowed along town right-of-way between 6:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. Commercial parking is allowed along town right-of-way immediately in front of the serviced residence between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and between 9.00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Saturday.

<u>CONSTRUCTION</u>: activities causing noise exceeding 55 decibels are permitted only during the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on Monday through Friday and from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday. No construction is allowed on <u>federal holidays</u>.

Clean Up Day Canceled

As many of you know, Hunts Point Clean Up Day is a wonderful event for residents to get together and spend time supporting our community. During this difficult time the health and safety of our residents remains our number one priority, so we will be cancelling Clean Up Day consistent with Governor Inslee's *Healthy Washington: Roadmap to Recovery* plans.

Things are improving rapidly in our region and we look forward to a time very soon when we can get together again as a community. But sometimes the best community spirit is spontaneous — if you see trash, please pick it up and dispose of it properly. We'll all appreciate the effort. Additionally, funds budgeted for this year's Clean Up Day will be donated to the Wetherill Nature Preserve to support future planting and site rehabilitation projects.

Thank you for your understanding. We look forward to seeing everyone back at next year's Clean Up Day.

Joseph D Sabey

Hunts Point Mayor

WSDOT is responsible for maintaining the landscaping south of Town Hall, the lid roundabout and the area south of Fairweather Bay. If you notice something amiss or an area that needs attention please contact Gordon Elley, Superintendent of WSDOT Area 5 by phone (425-739-3730) or email (Elleygk@wsdot.wa.gov).



New Trees at Town Hall

Residents may have noticed activity around Town Hall over the last few weeks as work was underway to replace the two Port Orford cedars that died last year. Thanks to the efforts of Councilmember Dan Temkin, the Town is now part of an endeavor to re-establish Garry oaks, which are native to the coastal region of the Pacific northwest, to the greater Seattle area. For now, the trees await their leafy canopy, but in the next month, that will change as the trees burst into the beginnings of their glory. Garry oaks, also known as Oregon white oaks, can grow to heights of 65 to 90 feet with canopies stretching as wide as the tree is tall. Our two trees have a lot of growing before they reach that spectacular height, but we expect these two trees will become true heritage trees for the Town to enjoy over many, many years. For more information about Garry oaks and their re-introduction in this please area,

visit: http://metropolitangardens.blogspot.com/ 2011/11/garry-oak-in-seward-park.html



FUN FACTS What is "Boddy", Washington? Some will have noticed the name Boddy appears in the middle of Hunts Point on Google maps and wondered what it is and why it's there. A Google search for more information just adds to the mystery; some sites claim that Boddy is a "populated place wholly within the Town of Hunts Point" giving the impression that the place still exists. From "Hunts Point — Thumbnail History" at HistoryLink.org, we learn that "By the 1890s the area was informally known as "Boddy" after Francis Boddy, who had a dairy farm and a greenhouse near present-day Medina Circle south of the point." The name pre-dated Leigh Hunt's purchase of the tip of the point for the sole purpose of removing the trees to improve the view from his property on Yarrow Point. We encourage anyone who is interested to read more at the History Link page: https://www.historylink.org/File/11125.

Thank You Penny O'Byrne!

A big thank you to Penny O'Byrne for her strong sense of volunteerism and delightful sense of humor. Many know that Penny is a devoted gardener whose private motto is "if there is bare earth it's opportunity!" She has helped us with plantings at Town Hall many times and helped us replant the small garden in front of Town Hall last Fall. As part of this last endeavor, she added a lovely surprise: daffodils to cheer everyone who walks the paths through the grounds at Town Hall and to remind us that Spring really is here!



New Code for Town Sport Court

The new sport court gate code will **go into effect on May 17th**. Hunts Point residents can send an **email with your name and address to depclerk@huntspoint-wa.gov** to receive the new code. Please be mindful of your fellow neighbors and remember that the courts are for the enjoyment of Hunts Point residents and their accompanied guests.



Bobcat and Coyote Sightings

There have been recent sightings of a bobcat and coyotes in Hunts Point and nearby municipalities. Please be mindful of your pets especially at night.



Run for an Elected Position

Candidate filing week is fast approaching. Positions on the ballot for this year's general election include Mayor, Council Position 1, Council Position 3 and Council Position 5. Interested residents are encouraged to speak with Mayor Sabey or any of the current Councilmembers (email the Town for contact information).

For more candidate resources and information on filing visit the <u>King County Election</u> website.

Important Dates

<u>May 3</u> - First day mail-in candidate filings accepted (filings received before 5/3 are not accepted)

May 17 - First day of official Candidate Filing Week

May 21 - Last day to file for office

May 24 - Last day to withdraw candidacy

May 28 - Last day to submit necessary materials for voters' pamphlet

<u>August 3</u> - Primary election

November 2 - General election



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